

1 SENATE BILL NO. 446

2 INTRODUCED BY BARKUS, BRUEGGEMAN, COONEY, LAIBLE, LINDEEN, SINRUD
3 BY REQUEST OF THE HOUSE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL
4 GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

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6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRING THE FLATHEAD BASIN
7 COMMISSION FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND
8 CONSERVATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES; AMENDING SECTION 2-15-213, MCA; AND
9 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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13 **Section 1.** Section 2-15-213, MCA, is amended to read:

14 **"2-15-213. Flathead basin commission -- membership -- compensation.** (1) There is a Flathead
15 basin commission.

16 (2) The commission consists of 21 members selected as follows:

17 (a) seven members appointed by the governor from industrial, environmental, and other interests
18 affected by Title 75, chapter 7, part 3, one of whom must be on the governor's staff;

19 (b) one member who is the director of the department of natural resources and conservation or the
20 director's designee;

21 (c) one member appointed by the Flathead County commissioners;

22 (d) one member appointed by the Lake County commissioners;

23 (e) one member appointed by the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes;

24 (f) one member appointed by the United States department of agriculture, forest service regional
25 forester for the northern region;

26 (g) one member appointed by the United States department of interior, national park service regional
27 director for the Rocky Mountain region;

28 (h) one member appointed by the Flathead County conservation district board of supervisors;

29 (i) one member appointed by the Lake County conservation district board of supervisors;

30 (j) four ex officio members appointed respectively by the chief executive of the provincial government

1 of the Province of British Columbia; the regional administrator of the United States environmental protection
2 agency; the regional administrator of the United States department of the interior, bureau of reclamation; and
3 the holder of a license issued for the Flathead project under the Federal Power Act;

4 (k) two ex officio members who are the director of the department of environmental quality and the
5 director of the department of fish, wildlife, and parks or their designees.

6 (3) The commissioners shall serve without pay. The commissioners listed in subsection (2)(a), except
7 the commissioner on the governor's staff, are entitled to reimbursement for travel, meals, and lodging while
8 engaged in commission business, as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503.

9 (4) The commission is attached to the ~~governor's office~~ department of natural resources and
10 conservation for administrative purposes only."
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12 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Instruction to code commissioner. The code commissioner shall
13 renumber 2-15-213 through 2-15-215 as an integral part of Title 2, chapter 15, part 33, and make any
14 corresponding changes to reflect the renumbering.

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16 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2003.

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18 NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. TERMINATION. [THIS ACT] TERMINATES JUNE 30, 2005.

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